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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, the Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Patent Examiner, mailed January 21, 2004, rejecting claims 26-40 in the above-captioned patent application.

Applicants authorize the fee of \$330.00 for the Notice of Appeal to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0206. It is believed that no further fees are due. If the charges determined to be due vary from this amount, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to credit the variance to or deduct the variance from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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